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MEMORANDUM FOR Commanders, AMEDDC&S & FSH Installation and Activities

SUBJECT: Safety Policy

1. As commanders, supervisors, and managers you are all leaders in promoting safety. You are accountable for using risk management principals to protect our valuable resources - personnel, equipment, and facilities. Among my other responsibilities, I also assume the role of your primary "Safety Officer". I stress four cornerstones for a successful safety program: quality, empowerment, discipline, and service. These principles encompass safety.
2. Quality is giving safety the same priority and level of importance as that of any product or service you provide. As leaders, you must set the example on and off-duty. Require your personnel to do the right thing all the time and strive to continuously improve your own safety processes.
3. Trust your personnel. Empower them with the authority to make informed risk management decisions to complete the mission safely.
4. Apply discipline evenly and justly, in order to hold people accountable for their actions. Implement safety performance as a rating element for officer and noncommissioned officer evaluation reports and civilian performance appraisals.
5. Service is commitment to doing your job and accomplishing the mission with safety in mind. Safety is everyone's mission, all the time. Great organizations are great at everything they do!
6. Safety has always been important to me, and I know it is important to Fort Sam Houston. We must all work together to continue keeping safety a priority.

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